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TO: IMMEDIATE WHITE HOUSE//SITUATION ROOM FOR MR McMANIS,  
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DATE: 26 FEB 74

SUBJECT: JORDAN--ARMY RESHUFFLE

REF: :

RADIO AMMAN'S LOW-KEY ANNOUNCEMENT THAT KING HUSAYN HAD PENSIONED OFF TWO ARMY DEPUTY CHIEFS OF STAFF IS CLEARLY A RESPONSE TO LAST MONTH'S "MUTINY."

THE KING'S VISITS TO ARMY UNITS FOLLOWING THE ZARGA INCIDENT, AND THE INVESTIGATIONS INTO IT, EXPOSED A NUMBER OF DEFICIENCIES IN ARMY ADMINISTRATION WHICH HAD A DIRECT BEARING ON MORALE AND EFFECTIVENESS. BY RETIRING THE TWO MAJOR GENERALS, THE KING HAS ACKNOWLEDGED THAT SOME OF THE ARMY'S COMPLAINTS WERE JUSTIFIED WITHOUT ACCEPTING SOME SOLDIERS' DEMANDS THAT THE ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF BE DISMISSED.

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INDICATE THAT HUSAYN IS MAKING A GENUINE EFFORT NOT ONLY TO ALLAY THE GRIEVANCES OF THE TROOPS BUT TO REINVIGORATE THE ARMY, WHICH REPORTEDLY HAS SUFFERED FROM THE KING'S AND SENIOR OFFICERS' INATTENTION. HIS ACTIONS SHOULD TAKE THE STING OUT OF THE PLANNED DISCHARGE OF THE MUTINY'S ENLISTED RINGLEADERS AND WIN HIM RENEWED CONFIDENCE FROM SOLDIERS, OFFICERS AND TRIBAL CHIEFS WHO HAVE BEEN GRUMBLING OVER ALLEGED CORRUPTION AND FAVORITISM IN THE ARMY. THE SHAKE-UP CAN BE READ AS CENSURE OF SHARIF BIN SHAKIR, THE ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF WHOSE HIGH STYLE OF LIVING AND ALOOFNESS FROM THE TROOPS MADE HIM THE FOCUS OF THEIR COMPLAINTS.

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